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SUBJ: GOS HOPES UNSC WILL RECOMMEND FACT-FINDING MISSION  
IN ITS COMPLAINT VERSUS LIBYA

REF: KHARTOUM 2065 (NOTAL)

1. AS INDICATED REFTEL, FONMIN MAHJUB MAKKAWI, ACCOMPANIED  
BY RASHID ABU SHAMA (RECALLED GOS AMBASSADOR TO LIBYA)  
AND OMER SHUMMEINA (FONOFF LEGAL ADVISOR), LEFT KHARTOUM LATE  
LAST NIGHT FOR NEW YORK IN CONNECTION PENDING SUDANESE  
COMPLAINT AGAINST LIBYA BEFORE SECURITY COUNCIL. PARTY EXPECTED  
ARRIVE NEW YORK AFTERNOON JULY 13.

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2. DURING AMBASSADOR'S JULY 13 MEETING WITH FONOFF U/SEC MIRGHANI ON ANOTHER SUBJECT, LATTER EXPLAINED GOS PLANNING PUSH FOR FULL SECURITY COUNCIL CONSIDERATION SUDANESE COMPLAINT SINCE NO ALTERNATIVE HAD BEEN OFFERED. ARAB PERMREPS HAD COUNSELED AGAINST THIS ACTION, BUT THEY HAD GIVEN NO INDICATION WHAT MIGHT BE DONE TO HELP SUDAN IF KHARTOUM FOLLOWED THEIR ADVICE NOR HAS ANYTHING BEEN HEARD DIRECTLY FROM ARAB GOVERNMENTS. IN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND IN VIEW EARLIER LIBYAN MACHINATIONS IN TUNISIA, NIGER, CHAD AND EGYPT, SUDAN IS DETERMINED TO SHOW THE WORLD THAT "THAT CRAZY MAN" (QADDAFI) CANNOT CONTINUE UNDERMINING NEIGHBORING GOVERNMENT WITH IMPUNITY.

3. MIRGHANI HOPED SECURITY COUNCIL WOULD MEET ON SUDANESE COMPLAINT JULY 19. GOS WILL PROBABLY NOT SEEK DIRECT CONDEMNATION OF LIBYA FOR ITS ROLE IN JULY 2-3 ABORTIVE COUP HERE BUT WILL URGE THAT A FACT-FINDING MISSION BE SENT TO BOTH LIBYA AND SUDAN TO ESTABLISH THE TRUTH OF GOS ALLEGATIONS. EVEN THOUGH LIBYA NO DOUBT BY THEN WILL HAVE DISMANTLED ITS TRAINING FACILITIES, THREAT OF FACT-FIND MISSION WOULD, MIRGHANI THOUGHT, ACT AS SOME DETERRENT IN TRIPOLI IN THE EVENT OF ANY NEW LIBYAN-BACKED PLOTTING. SUDAN ALSO EXPECTS PURSUE ITS COMPLAINT IN ARAB LEAGUE FORUM WHEN LEBANON ISSUE WILL NOT DIVER ATTENTION THEREFROM.

4. MIRGHANI SAID HE HAD NOTED TO SOVIET AMBASSADOR FEDOTOV SEVERAL DAYS AGO THAT RUSSIAN ARMS HAD BEEN IN POSSESSION REBELS AND CLAIMED TO HAVE QUERIED FEDOTOV RE POSSIBILITY USSR RESTRICTIONS ON TRANSFER SOVIET ARMS (KHARTOUM 1945 NOTAL) TO THIRD COUNTRIES. FEDOTOV APPARENTLY REPLIED THAT RUSSIAN RESTRICTIONS WERE SIMILAR TO THOSE OF USG. MIRGHANI COMMENTED WITH A LAUGH THAT MOSCOW HAS BEEN STRANGELY SILENT ON WHAT WOULD APPEAR TO BE MISUSE OF SOVIET EQUIPMENT TRANSFERRED TO LIBYA. NOTING GOS UNCERTAIN WHAT SOVIET POSITION MIGHT BE DURING UNSC DEBATE, MIRGHANI EMPHASIZED THAT SUDANESE WERE TREATING THIS ASPECT OF THE AFFAIR "LIGHTLY". HE NOTED THAT PRESIDENT NIMEIRI IN LAST NIGHT'S TV ADDRESS TO THE NATION HAD MADE REFERENCE TO FACT THAT REBELS WOULD HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED BY A MAJOR POWER BUT HAD GONE NO FURTHER. CONFIDENTIAL

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5. ON RELATED SUBJECT, MIRGHANI CONFIRMED THAT RECENT ATTACK ON THE CLOSED SUDAN EMBASSY IN TRIPOLI HAD BEEN STAGED BY LARG. HE CLAIMED ONLY THREE SUDANESE INVOLVED, WITH BALANCE ALLEGED "SUDANESE STUDENTS" ACTUALLY DRAWN FROM CHAD, NIGER AND ELSEWHERE IN WEST AFICA. ON INTER-ARAB ISSUES, MIRGHANI STATED THERE WAS NOW USEFUL WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SAUDI ARABIA, EGYPT AND SUDAN.

ALL THREE WISH TO PUSH FORWARD WITH INTERNAL DEVELOPMENT  
WITHOUT FURTHER ANNOYING DIVERSIONS SUCH AS QADDAFI HAD  
RECENTLY PROVIDED. AMBASSADOR COMMENTED PERSONALLY THAT WE  
HAVE EXCELLENT RELATIONS WITH ALL THREE COUNTRIES AND FELT  
THAT GREATER COLLABORATION AMONG THEM WOULD BE IN OUR  
COMMON INTEREST. BREWER

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